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PASS AGRICULTURE

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: EAGR, ETRD, BR
SUBJECT: U.S.-BRAZILIAN SOYBEAN COOPERATION

REF: STATE 064012

1. AGATT MET WITH MINAG SECRETARY GENERAL PAULO ROMANO
MARCH 14 AND DISCUSSED CONTENTS REFTEL. ROMANO SAID MINISTER
CALMON DE SA HAD NOT YET PASSED ON THE HIGHLIGHTS OF HIS
FEBRUARY 24 MEETING WITH SECRETARY BERGLAND TO MINISTER PAULINELLI,
AND ASKED AGATT TO SEND HIM A WRITTEN SUMMARY OF THAT MEETING.

2. BASED ON CONTENTS REFTEL, AGATT PROVIDED ROMANO WITH A
SUMMARY OF THE FEBRUARY 24 MEETING. COPIES OF RELEVANT BACK-
GROUND INFORMATION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE FORMATION OF A U.S.-
BRAZIL TECHNICAL CONSULTATIVE GROUP FOR SOYBEANS AND SOYBEAN
PRODUCTS WERE ALSO GIVEN TO ROMANO.

3. ON MARCH 17 AGATT MET WITH ANTONIO LICIO, ECONOMIC ADVISOR
TO MINISTER PAULINELLI, AND ASKED WHETHER OR NOT A GOV DECISION
HAD BEEN MADE TO PROCEED WITH THE FORMATION OF THE SOYBEAN
CONSULTATIVE GROUP. LICIO REPLACED RUBENS VALENTINI AND
SERVES AS MINISTER PAULINELLI'S INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AD-
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VISOR. LICIO STATED THAT THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE IS IN
FAVOR OF THE SOYBEAN CONSULTATIVE GROUP, BUT CLEARANCES ARE
NEEDED FROM SEVERAL OTHER MINISTRIES. LICIO SAID HE WOULD
DO EVERYTHING HE COULD TO SPEED UP THE GOB CLEARANCE PROCESS,
BUT DID NOT APPEAR OPTIMISTIC THAT A DECISION WOULD BE MADE
WITHIN THE NEXT WEEK OR TWO.
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